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House Resolution 1000

By: Representatives Martin of the 47th, Burkhalter of the 50th, and Jones of the 46th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing William "Dexter" Fowler; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, William "Dexter" Fowler began his baseball career at the age of five in the
- 3 Perry-Parham Youth Baseball League, playing first base and catcher for his team; and
- 4 WHEREAS, by the age of 13, he had been invited to seven and played on six National World
- 5 Series teams, meeting and playing against many of his future teammates; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he started varsity baseball and basketball in the ninth grade and ultimately
- 7 moved into the Milton High School District, playing at Milton for two years; and
- 8 WHEREAS, he led Milton High School to its first State High School Baseball Championship
- 9 since the team of 1955 with a batting average of .476, 85 RBIs, and 14 home runs, and he
- was named a first round draft prospect; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he received over 100 college inquiries to play baseball and basketball, and,
- 12 upon graduation, he accepted a generous academic and sports scholarship to attend the
- 13 University of Miami; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he was declared a two-sport athlete and drafted by the Colorado Rockies Major
- 15 League Baseball Program, signing his professional contract August 13, 2004; and
- 16 WHEREAS, in 2004, he formed both an S-corporation and C-corporation registered in the
- 17 State of Georgia for the specific purpose of advancing the cause of underprivileged,
- 18 under-represented minority student athletes; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the Alpharetta community and the State of Georgia take great pride in the many
- 20 accomplishments of William "Dexter" Fowler and the outstanding example of determination
- and sportsmanship he has set for Georgia's young athletes.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 2 the members of this body join in recognizing William "Dexter" Fowler for his amazing career
- 3 in baseball and extend their sincere best wishes for his continued success.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to William "Dexter" Fowler.